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Michael J. LaVelle - State Bar No. 002296 Matthew K. LaVelle - State Bar No. 018828 2 LAVELLE & LAVELLE, PLC 3 2525 East Camelback Road, Suite 888 Arizona Corporation Commission Phoenix, AZ 85016 DOCKETED 4 MJL@LaVelle-LaVelle.com APR 8 0 2010 5 Matt@LaVelle-LaVelle.com Telephone: (602) 279-2100 6 DOCKETED BY Facsimile: (602) 279-2114 Attorneys for Defendants Tom Hirsch, Diane Rose Hirsch, Berta Walder, Howard Walder, Harish P. Shah, Madhavi H. Shah and Horizon Partners, LLC 8 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 9 10 In the matter of: **DOCKET NO. S-20660A-09-0107** 11 RADICAL BUNNY, L.L.C., an Arizona 12 limited liability company, 13 **DECLARATION OF TOM** HORIZON PARTNERS, L.L.C., an 14 Arizona limited liability company, HIRSCH 15 16 TOM HIRSCH (aka TOMAS N. HIRSCH) and DIANE ROSE HIRSCH, 17 husband and wife; 18 BERTA FRIEDMAN. WALDER (aka 19 BUNNY WALDER, a married person, CEIVED 20 HOWARD EVAN WALDER, a 21 married person, 22 23 HARISH PANNALAL SHAH and MADHAVI H. SHAH, husband and 24 wife. 25 Respondents. 26 27

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Radical Bunny, LLC was organized in June of 1999, but its antecedents went back further than that. In 1995, some of the people who ultimately became

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members of Radical Bunny began to invest in mortgages serviced by Mortgages Ltd. At that point, the participants invested directly in the mortgages and received a percentage interest in certain mortgages that Mortgages Ltd. serviced. Thus, in the beginning, Mortgages Ltd. found borrowers that created mortgages and sold the participants "pass through" fractional loans and lien interest in real estate collateral. The loans were for the financing of construction. Both Horizon Partners and Radical Bunny were formed for the purpose of pooling funds to invest in that pass through program. Horizon Partners and Radical Bunny did not advertise. They did not solicit. People satisfied with their investment returns described the program to their acquaintances and if those acquaintances choose to inquire, in some instances they became additional participants. There were no sales materials.

The participants were provided information that came from Mortgages Ltd. and later on approximately on a semi-annual basis, there was a meeting held in which matters were discussed related to the program.

In approximately 2000, Horizon Partners received a "spread" of one quarter of one percent. Horizon Partners made all distributions of interest and the principal to participants, maintained accounts for participants, provided regular account statements for each of the participants and reviewed the loan summary sheets for each of the loans presented by Mortgages Ltd. Horizon Partners also provided tax forms at the conclusion of each tax year.

Radical Bunny was formed in June of 1999. Mortgages Ltd. wanted \$100,000 minimum investments and Horizon had no roll over program when the loan matured and the participants were paid. From June 24, 1999 forward, Radical Bunny and Horizon both were paid an extra one quarter or one half percent of all payments to cover the overhead of pooling funds and the preparation of necessary tax and other documents. After September 2005, Horizon did no

more business. In 2005, Mortgages Ltd. wanted to institute a new opportunity program, by which million dollar notes would be issued by Mortgages Ltd. who would be obligated to pay the money and would lend the money to its borrowers. In approximately 2005, Radical Bunny began to receive a 2% spread for its management services. The participants requested Radical Bunny to act as their agent to purchase interests in specific Mortgages Ltd. loans. The 2% spread was fully disclosed to all participants and was the subject of an extensive presentation at the semi-annual meeting held in 2006. Thereafter, it was discussed at every semi-annual meeting. The invitation to semi-annual meetings specifically stated that the purpose was not to solicit any new investors. Later, the loans were made with Mortgages Ltd. itself as the borrower. In all instances, the loans were made

and the notes were given to finance construction.

The participants became involved by executing a direction to purchase. A typical direction to purchase is attached as Exhibit A. As Exhibit A shows, it was not to be used to solicit people to become participants in the program. The direction to purchase authorized a purchaser's agent (Radical Bunny) to acquire an interest in a specific Mortgages Ltd. loan. The direction to purchase set forth the amount invested, the percentage interest in the Mortgages Ltd. loan that the participant would have, the annual (net interest rate) to be paid to the participant, the maturity date of the loan and interest payment due date.

To my knowledge, none of the Defendants in this matter took a profit out of Radical Bunny. Any repayment to any of the Defendants was virtually immediately reinvested in another Mortgages Ltd. loan program.

I sold a residence, an accounting practice, took a home equity advance on two of my homes and sold other property to put money into investments with Mortgages Ltd. as a participant of Radical Bunny. To my best information and belief, Harish Shah took money out of his home equity line of credit, and his

employee pension all of which went to Mortgages Ltd. as a participant of Radical Bunny. To my best information and belief, Howard and Berta Walder rolled over individual retirement accounts, sold a house and took an advance on their home equity all to become participants. Specifically, I took \$380,000 from the sale of a residence, \$500,000 from the sale of an accounting practice, over \$1,500,000 from home equity advances on two properties and additional money that I made over that time, together with the sale of Safford property. The total amount of monies put into Mortgages Ltd. programs as a Radical Bunny participant and not returned to me was \$3,196,000. The four of us put over \$7,000,000 into Mortgages Ltd. programs. We took no money from Horizon Investments or Radical Bunny in excess of what we put in.

As agents and members of Radical Bunny, Defendants reviewed the Mortgages Ltd. loans that were to be funded, Defendants received internal financial statements prepared by Mortgages Ltd., had meetings with company management, received audited third party financial statements, reviewed lending criteria, inspected loan documents, met with Mortgages Ltd. borrowers, spoke to Mortgages Ltd. officers and reviewed documents with those officers. We made site visits.

In the fourth quarter in 2006, a concern was raised as to whether Radical Bunny was required to take some action under the Securities law. Radical Bunny interviewed a variety of lawyers. Radical Bunny eventually hired Quarles & Brady. The entire representation proceeded along the basis of what action was necessary "fix" any problems Radical Bunny may have had. No lawyer ever told any of the Defendants to stop taking participants money.

The participants only received interest and principal. They did not participate in the profit of either Mortgages Ltd. or Radical Bunny and were not responsible for any expenses or cash calls from those entities. The participants

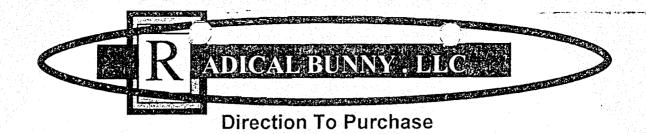
never invested in Radical Bunny. The obligation to participants was from Mortgages Ltd. directly to the participants in the matters stated. No commission or referrals were paid, no general solicitations were ever made. There was no marketing of these participations, no sales materials were ever prepared and no sales calls were ever made. We did not have a website or a "presentation" for the purpose of raising money. We only returned calls. No inducement other than the interest to be paid by Mortgages Ltd. was discussed.

The participations were not described or thought of as securities. They were in all cases percentage interests in loans made to finance construction.

Dated this 304 day of April, 2010.

I avow the foregoing factual statements are true to the best of my information and belief under penalty of perjury.

TOM HIRSCH



02/28/2007

HIRSCH FAMILY TRUST C/O TOM HIRSCH, TRUSTEE 8636 N. VIA LA SERENA PARADISE VALLEY, AZ 85253

Re: Investment in MORTGAGES LTD.

In connection with your purchase of interests in the above referenced loan, we are submitting this information for your review. Please sign and return your copy upon receipt.

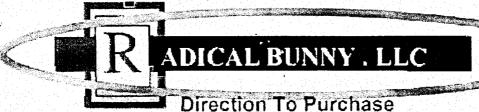
The undersigned hereby instructs and authorizes the member manager, as the purchaser's agent, to transact the purchase of the following loan:

Loan number MORTGAGES LTD., was funded on 02/26/2007 with the principal amount of \$2,700,000.00. The Loan pays a net rate of 11.000% per annum to the undersigned. Interest will be paid in arrears commencing on 03/10/2007 and continuing on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of each month thereafter until maturity date of 02/26/2008. All interest and/or principal payments made by the borrower will be mailed to the undersigned within the first week of the month following receipt of payment.

The undersigned hereby deposits \$19,235.30 representing approximately 0.710% interest in the above referenced loan. Your investment is collateralized by the beneficial interest under various deeds of trusts held by Mortgages Ltd.

Partial or complete liquidation of your investment requires a thirty (30) day written notice. An early redemption charge of 2% of your stated note rate will apply retroactively to partial or complete liquidation of this investment before the stated maturity date.

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	Loan number MORTGAGES LTD, was funded on 05/15/2008 with the principal amount of \$3,380,000.00. The Loan pays a net rate of 11,000% per annum to the undersigned. Interest will be paid in arrears commencing on 05/25/2008 and continuing on the 25 <sup>th</sup> day of each month thereafter until maturity date of 05/15/2009. All interest and/or principal payments made by the borrower will be mailed to the undersigned within the first week of the month following receipt of payment.	
	The undersigned hereby deposits \$406,000.00 representing approximately 12.010% interest in the above references loan. Your investment is collateralized by the beneficial interest under various deeds of trusts held by Mortgages Ltd.	
	All requests for redemption require a thirty (30) day written notice. The Fund Mangers will exercise their best efforts to fulfill all requests promptly, however requests will be processed on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. A 5% redemption = 730 fee will be assessed for liquidation of investments prior to maturity.	
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